IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS CENTRAL DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v. No. 4:19-CR-00674-01-JM

SAMUEL ROBERSON

<u>ORDER</u>

Defendant's Motion to Reduce Sentence (Doc. No. 66) is DENIED.

Applying retroactive guideline Amendment 821 does not reduce Defendant's criminal history category or guideline range because he was sentenced as a career offender. Even if Defendant was not a career offender, his criminal history score would go from 21 to 20, but his criminal history category and guideline range would remain the same.

Additionally, Defendant's plea agreement "waive[d] the right to have the sentence modified pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 3582(c)(2) " Because Defendant knowingly and voluntarily entered into his plea agreement, including this waiver, he is not entitled to relief. 3

IT IS SO ORDERED this 16th day of May, 2024.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

¹ See United States Sentencing Guidelines § 1B1.10 (a)(2) ("Exclusions.—A reduction in the defendant's term of imprisonment is not consistent with this policy statement and therefore is not authorized under 18 U.S.C. § 3582(c)(2) if— . . . an amendment listed in subsection (d) does not have the effect of lowering the defendant's applicable guideline range.").

² Doc. No. 49.

³ *United States v. Cowan*, 781 F. App'x 571 (8th Cir. 2019) (affirming dismissal of a § 3582(c)(2) motion when the record establish that the defendant knowingly and voluntarily entered the plea agreement).